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A RESOLUTION to commend Joseph Daniel Buckner on his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this body should recognize those individuals who have performed their duties with remarkable skill and unprecedented devotion; and

WHEREAS, born September 16, 1938, Mr. Buckner retired as owner and president of the Buckner's Dickson Funeral Home at 56 years of age; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Buckner attended Dickson County High School and graduated from the Southern Academy of Clinical Technology, Peabody College of Vanderbilt University and the prestigious John A. Gupton College of Mortuary Science; and

WHEREAS, an exceptionally talented man by any measure, Mr. Buckner proudly served four terms as Mayor of the city of Dickson where he exhibited outstanding leadership, dedication and diligence; and

WHEREAS, for his exemplary service as president of the Dickson Rotary Club, Mr.

Buckner deservedly was named the 1993 Paul Harris Fellow Rotarian of the Year, the highest Rotary honor achievable; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Buckner is an outstanding member of the Tennessee Municipal League, where from 1982-1983 he meritoriously served as the organization's president; and

WHEREAS, he is a devout member of the First United Methodist Church where the congregation enjoys his loving spirit and compassion for others; and

WHEREAS, his organizational involvement is extensive, including the Board of Trustees of Cumberland University; the Frank G. Clement Foundation where he serves as chairman; Judicial Council; the Tennessee State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers where he serves as secretary; the Downtown Dickson Merchant's Association and Chamber of Commerce, serving the last two worthwhile groups as president; and

WHEREAS, throughout his distinguished career he has garnered the loving support of his wife Bettye Buckner, and their son, Dan Reed Buckner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Buckner will relinquish the mantle of his most important position with The Buckner's Dickson Funeral Home; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Joseph Daniel Buckner on his retirement and his many years of outstanding service to Dickson and this great state of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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